THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the World Health Report — 2002 of WHO, the percentage of total expenditure on health to GDP has remained in the vicinity of 5% since 1995. Although the expenditure as a percentage of GDP has remained static, in absolute terms this has increased. Also the health care requirements of the population are enormous and even increasing. Nevertheless, Government has been making every effort to increase its contribution of public health expenditure. The resources for public investment in health sector are being augmented by securing assistance from various bilateral and multi-lateral agencies for implementations of various disease control programmes.

(c) The Plan expenditure made for health including curative & preventive aspects for the last three years is as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Health	Indian System of Medicine & Homoeopathy	Maternal & Child Health
1999-2000	950.35	49.05	658.33
2000-2001	1120.30	79.46	828.08
2001-2002	1307.95	82.15	951.05

Health Melas

520. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of Health Melas organized during the past three years in different parts of the country and their respective themes;

(b) whether it is a fact that Health Melas organized in the past have been total failure with no clear theme and poor promotions along with poor attendance;

(c) if so, whether Government agree that the Health Melas organized in the past were only based on commercial value rather than social value; and

(d) whether Government propose to organize more Health Melas in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) 38 Health Melas have been held in different parts of the country. A statement showing dates and places where melas have been held and patients registered in annexed. (*See* below). The underlying theme of Health Melas is to provide access and a comprehensive set of services, including counselling and dissemination of information. Medicines are also made available.

(b) No, Sir. The Health Melas have been popular and have attracted large crowds. It has been observed that large numbers have availed of family planning operations.

(c) No, Sir. The purpose of the Health Melas is to provide access to a package of health services to the segments of population which are underserved and/or living in remote areas; thereby fulfilling a very important need.

(d) Yes, Sir. During the current year it is proposed to organize 23 Health Melas. An outlay of Rs. 3.00 crore has been provided for health melas in the current year.

Statement

Parivar Kalyan Avam Swasthya Melas held in 2000-02 and 2002-03

Sl. No	Place	State	No. of days	Dates	Amount Sanctioned	Patients Registered
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Mathura	Uttar Pradesh	5	17th to 19th September, 2002	Rs. 2.74 Lakhs	30,000
2.	Kargil	J & K	3	21st to 23rd October, 2000	Rs. 2.17 Lakhs	24,400
3.	Perfect Health Mela	Delhi	10	16th to 25th October, 2000	Rs. 2.83 Lakh	6,05,000
4.	Patna	Bihar	3	19th to 21st November, 2000	Rs. 3.43 Lakhs	70,600
5.	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh	5	31st Jan. to 4th Feb., 2001	Rs. 11.5 Lakh	1,20,000
6.	Perambur	Tamil Nadu	1	4th March, 2001	Rs. 0.75 Lakh	5,000
7.	Badal	Punjab	3	September 15-17, 2001	Rs. 10 Lakhs	27,000
8.	Sultanpur	Uttar Pradesh	5	September 30 - October 4, 2001	Rs. 15 Lakhs	50,000
9.	Ghazipur	Uttar Pradesh	3	October 30-November 01, 2001	Rs. 12 Lakhs	67,800
10.	Najafgarh	Delhi	4	November 21-24, 2001	Rs. 15 Lakhs	62,000
11.	Rabongla	Sikkim	3	February 8-10-2002.	Rs. 10 Lakhs	19,500
12.	Baldev (Mathura)	Uttar Pradesh	3	March 15-17, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	18,000
13.	Srinagar (Pauri)	Uttaranchal	3	March 23-25, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	12,500
14.	Reasi (Jammu)	J & K	3	March 8-10, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	24,500
15.	Rajnandgoan	Chhattisgarh	5	February 17-21, 2002	Rs. 15 Lakhs	8,900

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
16.	Raigarh	Chhattisgarh	3	February 24-26, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	12,289
17.	Marwahi	Chhattisgarh	3	March 3-5, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	10,500
18.	Yamuna Nagar	Haryana	3	March 20-23, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	10,000
19.	Madhubani	Bihar	3	May 4-6, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	10,000
20.	Phulwari Sharif	Bihar	5	15-19th June 2002	Rs. 15 Lakhs	90,500
21.	Katihar	Bihar	3	April 7-9, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	35,000
22.	Silchar	Assam	3	March 19-21, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	12,300
23.	Guwahati	Assam	3	March 23-25, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	25,000
24.	Swadeshi Aarogya Mela	New Delhi	5	February 7-12, 2002	Rs. 15 Lakhs	1,20,000
25.	Dharmshala	H.P.	3	31st May to 2nd June 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	5,400
26.	Chamba	H.P.	3	7th to 9th June 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	6,567
27.	Kolkata	West Bengal		6th-8th July, 2002	Rs. 3 Lakhs	57,000
28.	Bhubneshwar	Orissa	3	20th-22nd September 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	11,760
29.	Sambalpur	Orissa	3	18th-20th April 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	18,000
30.	Koraput	Orissa	3	15th-17th December, 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	7,704
31.	Shillong	Meghalaya	3	9th-11th December 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	16,000
32.	Khurja	Uttar Pradesh	3	16th-20th August 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	65,500
33.	Tikamgarh	Madhya Pradesh	3	26th-28th December 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	16,849
34.	Aizwal	Mizoram	3	22nd to 25th October 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	23,000
35.	Talkatora	Delhi	3	14th-16th November 2002	Rs. 10 Lakhs	26,000
36.	Motihari	Bihar	3	25th-27th January 2003	Rs. 10 Lakhs	30,000
37.	Muzaffarpur	Bihar	3	29th-31st January 2003	Rs. 10 Lakhs	35,000
38.	Jehanabad	Bihar	3	8th-10th February 2003	Rs. 10 Lakhs	36,000